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	<u>Unique Pilot Features</u>	<u>Features</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	City/Cty	<u>Clinics</u>	<u>Retailers</u>	<u>Ppts.</u>	<u>Implementation</u>	<u>Date</u>
Off-Line Smartcard Projects									
PARTNERS	Card will deliver WIC food benefits and carry health services information in partnership with a variety of health programs. New England PARTNERS multi-state project includes NH, ME, VT, MA, RI, and CT.	Hybrid card will contain both magnetic stripe and integrated circuit chip on a smartcard. MA and CT will use the magstripe for FSP.	Hitachi America, Ltd. (HAL)	All 6 States NH only (Strafford Cty)	16 4	70 16	7,700 800	Implementation will be conducted in phases. Release 1 is to implement EBT in New Hampshire. Future phases include expansion of EBT with settlement process and development of Electronic Service Delivery system.	Fall 2004
Ohio									
	Current pilot has both WIC and FSP participants using same smartcard to purchase benefits. Point of sale smartcard readers exist in lane for retailers.	Smartcard with integrated circuit chip contains both WIC & FSP benefits.	J P Morgan contract through June 2004	Dayton	5	43	11,000	In 2004, FSP made decision to convert to magstripe. WIC will consider extending contract w/FSP until June 2005 on Dayton operation. In meantime, will assess options.	Launched October 16, 2000
New Mexico									
	New Mexico is partnering with Texas on a joint procurement for WIC EBT services. Has commercially developed public domain stand-beside software for grocer sysem. Will be second State to utilize integrated software for grocer system.	Smartcard with integrated circuit chip will eventually contain both WIC & FSP benefits.	System is being developed inhouse with Texas.	Truth or Consequ- ences and Arrey	2	7	800	TX and NM are working with Krogers, Lowes, Albertsons, and Walmart to develop an integrated solution, i.e., electronic cash register will be connected to the point of sale device.	Launched July 2003

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Off-Line Smartcard Projects									
Texas	Texas is partnering with New Mexico on a joint procurement for WIC EBT services. Has developed in-house public domain stand-beside software for grocer system. Will be the first State to utilize integrated software for grocer system.	Smartcard with integrated circuit chip will eventually contain both WIC & FSP benefits.	System is being developed inhouse.	El Paso and Hudspeth Counties	24	83	50,000	TX and NM are working with Krogers, Lowes, Albertsons, and Walmart to develop an integrated solution, I.e., electronic cash register will be connected to the point of sale device. Acceptance testing to be completed in March 2004. Equipment to be installed in March/April.	June 2004
Wyoming	Wyoming began development in 1995 and is the first state to operate statewide, beginning January 2002. Point of sale equipment stands beside existing retailer equipment inlane.	Smartcard with integrated circuit chip contains both WIC & FSP benefits.	WY acts as prime; SVS is sub for networking & banking. SVS contract ends 2006.	Statewide	36	95	11,000	WY held a pre-bidders conference in January 2004, inviting contractors to participate in a discussion regarding a potential RFP for securing future EBT services. Extended contract through Sept. 2006. Will begin reprocurement process in 2004.	Statewide 2002
	Nevada is using the same system as that used in Wyoming. The WIC Inter-tribal Council of Nevada State agency also participates in EBT.	Smartcard with integrated circuit chip.	Stored Value Systems (SVS) contract ends Sept. 30, 2004. Negotiating contract extention.	Reno, Sparks in Washoe County	3 with ITCN	32	7,000	NV is operational in Reno/Sparks and is planning to expand to Clark County (Las Vegas), which will bring the State to within 95% of statewide EBT coverage.	Launched June 2, 2000

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On-Line Magstripe Projects									
Michigan									
	Michigan will demonstrate a new hybrid system for WIC EBT using on-line technology with some off-line functionality.	Magnetic stripe card	J P Morgan	Jackson County	1	21 plus 5 or 6 in adjacent counties	4,300	State to test in August 2004 in Tampa. EBT contract ends June 2006. Will submit statewide RFP with FSP and TANF in April 2004. Will modify MTRAX in spring 2006 for the web.	Fall 2004
Washington									
	Washington will participate in FNS' on-line demonstration project to test the feasiblity of delivering WIC benefits using existing retailer equipment with mag stripe card.	Magnetic stripe card	Stored Value Systems under contract to FNS.	Pierce County (Tacoma)	1	3	300	In January, FNS selected Washington to demo the functionality of the on-line system. The state is currently working with SVS to identify what the State needs to do to be ready for demo. (see description below).	Launch February 2005

Related Projects

WIC EBT On-Line Demonstration Project

In April 2003, FNS contracted with Information Systems Support, Inc. (ISS) to test the feasibility of using on-line magnetic stripe cards in retail grocery stores to provide electronic benefits to WIC participants. The on-line demonstration project will replicate retailer point-of-sale equipment in a laboratory setting. If the laboratory test is successful, the most feasible transaction method(s) will be field tested in two grocery chain stores and one independent grocery store, and will include one WIC clinic and approximately 300 households. ISS is subcontracting with Stores Value Systems and Maximus, Inc., on this project. The on-line demonstration project is being conducted over a 19-month period. The base contract will provide in Phase 1, development and laboratory testing, and in Phase 2, a small field test of stand-beside operations in three grocery environments. Added contract options, if implemented, will extend the project up to 24 months from date of initial award or to April 2005. These options would provide for (1) demonstration of on-line WIC EBT using actual in-store equipment and software (i.e., by assisting a retailer to actually integrate the WIC software logic into a store's commercial operating structure; and (2) replication of the small on-line demonstration in up to three additional States.

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